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Part 1

The Pigeons on the Martinishow 2008.
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The 100 Years' Jubilee of the North Netherland Union was celebrated at the Martini Show, in December 2008. The Jubilee Show was held in the Exposition Hall Martini Plaza in the city of Groningen and can be considered a historical success. With over 1500 animals exhibited in pens and aviaries, there was much to enjoy. Also the Provincial Championship Show of the NBS was assigned to this Show.

Jubilee

Some 100 people were present at the Jubilee Reception on Saturday morning, to congratulate the governing board on this mile stone. During this reception the show was also officially opened and the major prizes were distributed by the President of the FK, Mr. Albert Wijnholds. At the same Show opening ceremony also Mr. Adolf Feringa was appointed honorary member of the provincial Poultry Union NHDB.



Above: Always the eye-catcher of the Martini Show: The large aviary with the pond.

Below: Champion of the Martini Show 2008 was this white barred Ice Pigeon Muffed, young female with 97 points. Owner: Menno Apperlo.



Above:
Menno Apperlo showing his prize: an exclusive medal.

Right: Holle Cropper yellow, old female with 95 points. Owner Hille Venema.



Left: Hilbert Boers showed this black Brünner Cropper, a young female, which was awarded 97 points.

Right: Pigmy Pouter white, young female, with 96 points. Owner: Rikus Hagenauw.



Above: Voorburg Shield Cropper red, young male with 96 points. Owner: Henk Veenstra.

Right: Horseman Cropper blue chequered, young male with 94 points. Owner: R. Vonk.





Left: Starwitzer Cropper blue grizzle, young male, 95 points. Owner: J. Buurmeijer.



Right: Saxon Pouter black, old male, 95 points. Owner: Rikus Hagenauw.



Left: Giant Homer black, young female, 96 points. Owner: K. de With.



Right: German Beauty Homer dark, old female. 96 points. Owner: G. Bosman.



Left: Coburg Lark blue silver barless, old male, 96 points. Owner: Jack Jager.

Right: Valencian Frill white, young female, 95 points. Owner: Jaap Fial.



Left: Hamburg Sticken Ice colour blackbar, young female, 96 points. Owner: J. Suk.

Right: Hyacinth Pigeon blue spangled, young female, 96 points. Owner: G. Hoornveld.



Above: Nuremberg Swallow black, Young male, 97 points. Owner: Piet Gol.

Right: Amsterdam Tippler light storked, old female, 96 points. Owner: Willem de Wal.





Left: This very rare variety was also shown by Piet Gol: A Yellow White barred Saxon Field Pigeon, with 96 points for this young male.



Right: The "National breed" from Groningen: the Groninger Slenke, ash red barred, old male, 97 points. Owner: Martin Smit.



Left: Cologne Tumbler white, old female, 96 points. Owner: Evert Kroon.



Right: Danish Tumbler black, young female, 96 points. Owner: Geert Siemons.



Left: Berlin Longfaced Tumbler, black magpied, old male, 96 points. Owner: Karel Lewin.

Right: Amsterdam Tumbler yellow, old female, 95 points. Owner: R. Bijkerk.



Left: Portugal Tumbler kite, young female, 96 points. Owner: L. Niemeijer.

Right: Nun black, old male, 96 points. Owner: H. vd Vegt.



Left: Oriental Roller black, old female, 94 points. Owner: Willem de Wal.

Right: A beautiful display of Art work by Jan Hatzman, picturing various fancy pigeon breeds, but also birds of prey.





Left: Vienne long faced CL tumbler black, old male, with 95 points.
Owner: Comb. Stoelwinder.



Right: Mookkee silver, old male, with 96 points. Same as last year, this breed was entered by our German Pigeon friend F. Bierbaum.



Left: Original and striking; a football team formed by 22 Silkie hens. The chickens obviously were well trained, because while professional footballers play 2 times 45 minutes, these hens played during 2 days the stars from the sky.

Right: Certainly the European Cat Exhibition contributed to the success of the show.

With 644 entries the pigeons formed the largest group, whereas the aviaries are always a welcome variation between the tightly arranged cages.



In the second weekend of December, the Martinishow 2009 will be held at the same location, Martini Plaza, in Groningen. With this occasion, we heartily invite you as an exhibitor or visitor. For more information: www.Martinishow.nl